

Standard Lime & Stone Quarry,
Worker's House No. 2
County Route 27
Millville
Jefferson County
West Virginia

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Location: East side of County Route 27 (Bloomery Road), west edge of Standard Quarry southern spoil pile, Millville, Jefferson County, West Virginia.

UTM: 18.4353620.259980
Quad: Charles Town, West Virginia

Significance: Worker's House No. 2 is an intact surviving example of the vernacular domestic building tradition of company housing at the Standard Quarry.

Description: The house is a two-story, three-bay, side-gable building with a central stair, single-pile plan and a one-story, rear shed-roofed ell. The main block of the house measures 16 by 32 feet. With the addition of the rear ell and enclosed porch, overall dimensions for the house (without shed additions on the east side) are 26 by 32 feet. Exterior cladding of the wood-framed house includes stucco wall treatment (over original cove shiplap, or "German," siding) and corrugated metal roofing (over original wood shingles). There are two interior end wall brick chimneys, a shed-roofed front (west) porch with turned columns, and an enclosed shed-roofed back (east) porch which now serves as an additional room. The front porch also has been enclosed. The foundation is a combination of fieldstone and concrete.

Interior finishes include wood floors partially covered with linoleum; painted or wallpapered plaster walls; and painted baseboard, window, and door trim. Windows are either six-over-six or two-over-two double-hung sash. Doors range from four-panel to five cross-panel types.

There are two front rooms on the first floor, one on each side of the stair, and a kitchen in the rear ell. The rear porch was enclosed at some point to accommodate a bathroom, hall, and store room. A gable-roofed vestibule was added for outside access on the south side of

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the house. The full basement contains a storage and furnace room on the north side and two separate dry goods storage spaces in the southeast corner. Another shed-roofed, wood-framed shelter with multi-pane window sash is attached on the east side of the dry goods storage spaces. Two other small shed-roofed structures are attached to the rear ell on the northeast corner at the basement level.

The second floor has a bedroom and a small closet on both sides of the stair. The north bedroom has a door access to the attic.

The building is in fair condition. Alterations to the original form have substantially enlarged the house.

The backyard of Worker's House No. 2 is landscaped with four fruit trees (apple, cherry, and apricot/peach), two grape arbors, an ornamental yucca, and two large garden plots. Four wood-framed outbuildings remain: an animal/storage shed and a privy stand to the east of the house, and two chicken houses exist to the northeast. A driveway and concrete pad off the southeast corner of the house led to a no longer standing garage.

History:

The house is one of at least 12 original company houses constructed on the west edge of the Standard Quarry plant area probably by Preston S. Millard and C.D. Carter. The workers' houses were constructed between 1901 and 1923 under orders from Daniel Baker, president and co-founder of the Standard Lime & Stone Company.

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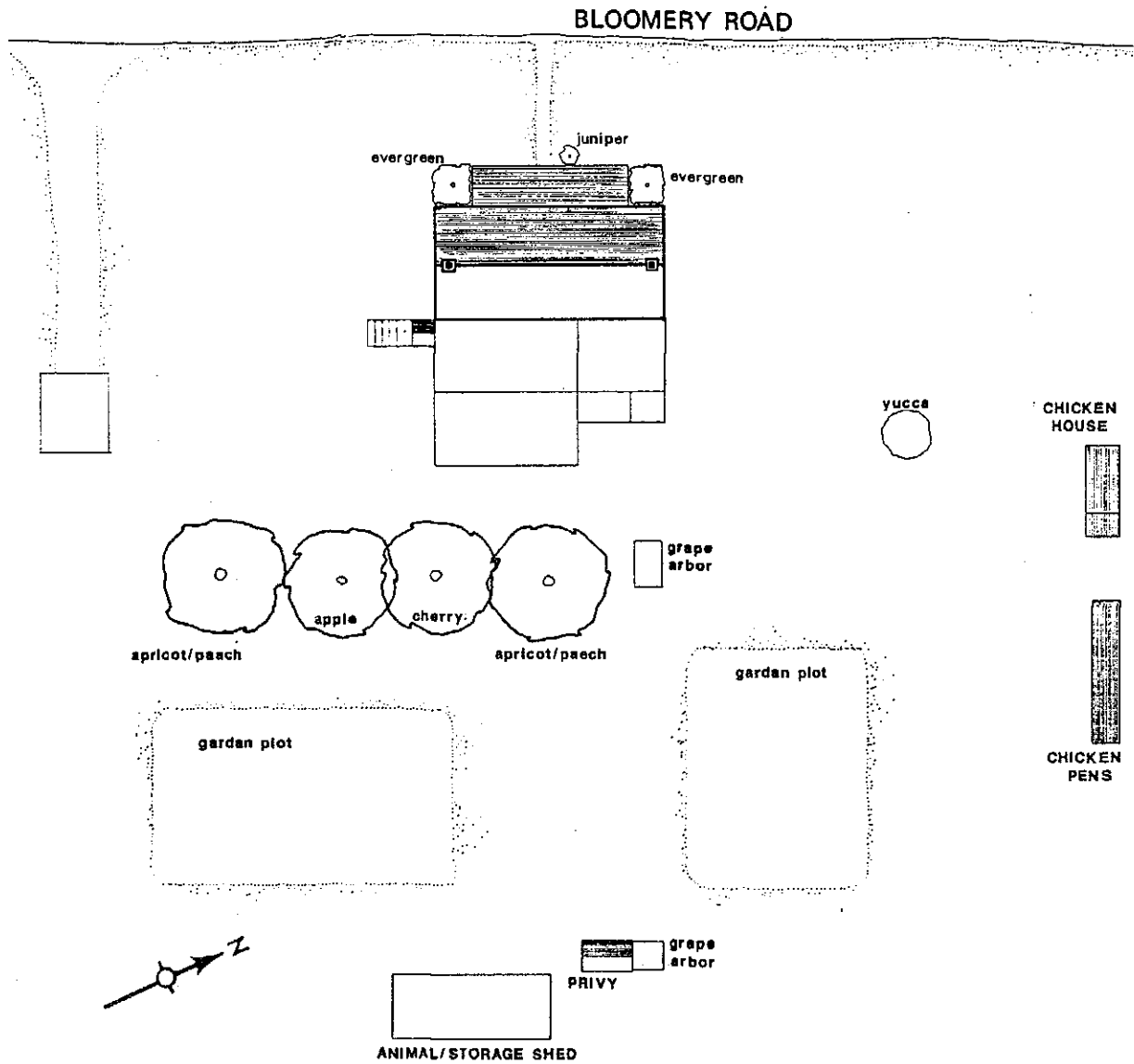
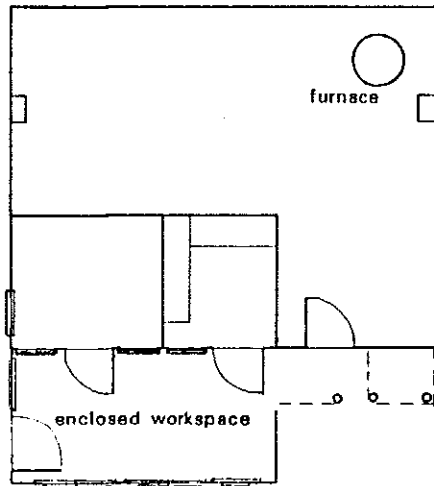
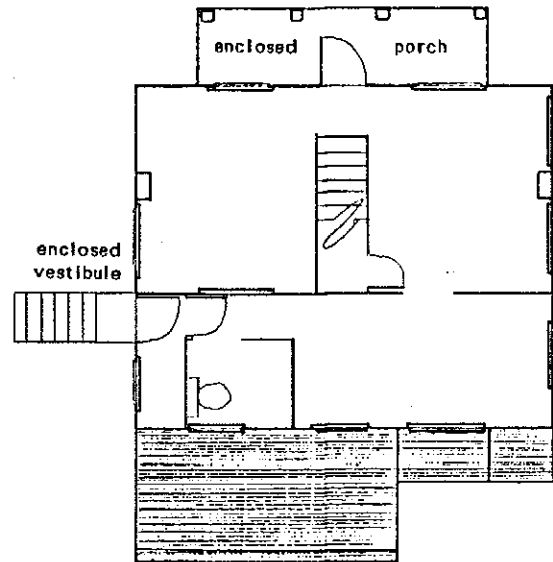


FIGURE U-1. Worker's House No. 2, site plan. (Not to scale.)

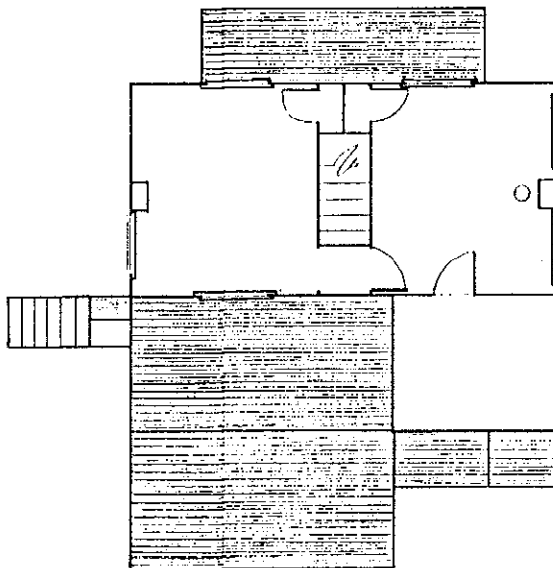
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BASEMENT



FIRST FLOOR



SECOND FLOOR



FIGURE U-2. Floor plans, Worker's House No. 2. (Not to scale.)